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In re the Application of:)) 3623
Cook, et al.)) Group Art Unit: 2163
Serial No.: 09/437,833)) Examiner: Irshadullah, M.
Filed: November 9, 1999))
For: EMPLOYEE SCHEDULING AND)) Attorney Docket No.: PAT-005
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RESPONSE

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Washington, D.C. 20231

IN THE CLAIMS

Please see Appendix A enclosed herewith for a listing of all claims filed in the application and their current status.

REMARKS

The applicants have received and reviewed the Official Action mailed on 15 January 2003, and submit the following as a fully-responsive reply thereto. The applicants are timely filing this response on 15 April 2003, and submit that no fees are due.

The applicants also request entry and consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on 31 January 2003 under 37 CFR 1.97(c).

§ 112, First Paragraph Rejections

Paragraphs 4, 5, 6, and 7 of the Official Action rejected claims 1-6 and 44-48 under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter that was not described in the

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being sent via first class United States mail postage prepaid on the date shown below to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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